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Refillable Seamless Steel Gas Cylinders — Specification

Part 2 Quenched and Tempered Steel Cylinders with Tensile
Strength Less Than 1 100 MPa (112 kgf/mm²)

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FOREWORD

This Indian Standard (Part 2) (Fourth Revision) was adopted by the Bureau of Indian Standards, after the draft finalized by the Gas Cylinders Sectional Committee had been approved by the Mechanical Engineering Divisional Council.

This standard was first published in 1974 as IS 7285 ‘Specification for seamless steel cylinders for permanent and high pressure liquefiable gases’, when the manufacture of seamless steel gas cylinders had not started in our country and subsequently revised in 1982, 1988 due to technological development made by the gas cylinder industry. Subsequently, this part of standard was published together with Part 1 ‘Normalized steel cylinder’ superseding IS 7285 : 1988. Further this standard (Part 2) was revised in 2004. In this revision efforts have been made to align with ISO 9809-1 : 2010 ‘Gas cylinder – Refillable seamless steel gas cylinders – Design, construction and testing – Part 1 Quenched and tempered steel cylinders with tensile strength less than 1 110 MPa’. However, considering the prevailing practices of cylinder manufacturing in the country, necessary additions are made wherever necessary.

Assistance has also been taken from:

ISO 13769 : 2007 Gas cylinders — Stamp-marking

The purpose of this standard is to provide a specification for the design, manufacture, inspection and testing of a cylinder for worldwide usage. The objective is to balance design and economic efficiency against international acceptance and universal utility.

Cylinders for on-board storage of compressed natural gas (CNG) as fuel for automobile vehicles application covered in IS 15490 ‘Cylinders for on-board storage of compressed natural gas as a fuel for automotive vehicles — Specification’. Periodic inspection and testing of high pressure gas cylinders is covered in IS 8541 : 2009 ‘Periodic inspection and testing of high pressure gas cylinders — Code of practice’.

While implementing this standard, the manufacturer and the inspection agency shall ensure compliance with statutory regulations. It is the responsibility of the owners and the users to ensure that the cylinders are periodically tested as per norms laid down in *Gas Cylinder Rules*, 2004 as amended from time-to-time and as enforced by statutory authorities under the rules.

The relevant SI units and corresponding conversion factors are given below for guidance:

Pressure 1Pa (Pascal) = 1 N/m²

1 kgf/mm² = 9.806 65 MPa

The composition of the Committee responsible for the formulation of this standard is given in Annex E.

For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test or analysis, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS 2 : 1960 ‘Rules for rounding off numerical values (*revised*)’. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

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LESS THAN 1 100 MPa (112 kgf/mm²)*(Fourth Revision)***1 SCOPE**

This standard specifies minimum requirements for the material, design, construction and workmanship, manufacturing processes and tests at manufacture of refillable quenched and tempered seamless steel gas cylinders of water capacities from 0.5 litre up to and including 400 litres for compressed, liquefied and dissolved gases exposed to extreme ambient temperatures (normally between –20 and +65°C). This part is applicable to cylinders with a maximum tensile strength (R_m) less than 1 100 MPa (112 kgf/mm²).

NOTES

1 If so desired, cylinders of water capacity less than 0.5 litre may be manufactured and certified to this standard.

2 If so desired, cylinders of water capacity exceeding 400 litres may be manufactured and certified to this standard. The number of cylinders to be subjected to pressure cycling test, and sampling method for mechanical tests shall be decided in consultation with the statutory authority.

2 REFERENCES

The standards listed below contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this standard. At the time of publication, editions were valid. All standards are subject to revision and parties to agreements based on this standard are encouraged to investigate possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below.

<i>IS No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
1500 : 2005	Method for Brinell hardness test for metallic materials (<i>third revision</i>)
1586 : 2000	Method for rockwell hardness test for metallic materials (Scales A-B-C-D-E-F-G-H-K 15N, 30N, 45N; 15T, 30T and 45T) (<i>third revision</i>)
1608 : 2005	Mechanical testing of metals tensile testing (<i>second revision</i>)
1757 : 1988	Method for steel — Charpy impact test (V-notch) for metallic materials (<i>second revision</i>)
2878 : 2004	Fire extinguisher carbon dioxide type (portable and trolley mounted) — Specification (<i>third revision</i>)

<i>IS No.</i>	<i>Title</i>
3224 : 2016	Valve fittings for compressed gas cylinders excluding liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) cylinders — Specification (<i>fourth revision</i>)
3745 : 2006	Yoke type valve connections for small medical gas cylinders — Specification (<i>second revision</i>)
3933 : 1966	Colour identification of gas cylinders and related equipment intended for medical use
4258 : 2011	Metallic materials — Conversion of hardness values (<i>second revision</i>)
4379 : 1981	Identification of the contents of industrial gas cylinder (<i>first revision</i>)
5844 : 2014	Recommendations for hydrostatic stretch testing of compressed gas cylinders (<i>first revision</i>)
7241 : 1981	Glossary of terms used in gas cylinder technology (<i>first revision</i>)
7312 : 1993	Welded and seamless steel dissolved acetylene gas cylinder — Specification (<i>second revision</i>)
15683 : 2006	Portable fire extinguishers — Performance and construction — Specification
15958 : 2012	Compressed natural gas (CNG) for automotive purposes — Specification
IS/ISO 11114-1 : 2012	Gas cylinders — Compatibility of cylinder and valve materials with gas contents — Part 1 Metallic materials

3 TERMINOLOGY

In addition to the definitions given in IS 7241, the following definitions shall apply.

3.1 Yield Stress (R_e) — Value corresponding to the upper yield stress, R_{eH} or, for steels that do not exhibit a defined yield, the 0.2 percent proof stress (non-proportional elongation), $R_{p0.2}$.

3.2 Quenching — Hardening heat treatment in which a cylinder, which has been heated to a uniform

temperature above the upper critical point AC_3 , of the steel, is cooled rapidly in a suitable medium.

3.3 Tempering — Softening heat treatment which follows quenching, in which the cylinder is heated to a uniform temperature below the lower critical point, AC_1 , of the steel.

3.4 Batch — A quantity of up to 200 cylinders plus cylinders for destructive testing of the same nominal diameter, thickness and design, made successively from the same steel and subjected to the same heat treatment for the same duration of time.

3.5 Working Pressure (P_w) / Service Pressure — Working pressure for permanent gas means the settled internal pressure of the gas in the cylinder at a temperature of 15°C.

3.6 Test Pressure (P_h) — Test pressure means the internal pressure required for the hydrostatic test or the hydrostatic stretch test of the cylinders.

NOTE — It is used for cylinder wall thickness calculation.

3.7 Burst Pressure (P_b) — Highest pressure reached in a cylinder during burst test.

3.8 Service Conditions for CNG Storage Cylinders

3.8.1 Gas Composition

Cylinders for storage of compressed natural gas used in cascade application shall be designed to tolerate being filled with natural gas conforming to IS 15958.

4 SYMBOLS

- a = calculated minimum thickness, in millimetre, of the cylindrical shell;
- a' = guaranteed minimum thickness, in millimetre, of the cylindrical shell (*see* Fig. 1);
- a_1 = guaranteed minimum thickness, in millimetre, of a concave base at the knuckle (*see* Fig. 4);
- a_2 = guaranteed minimum thickness, in millimetre, at the centre of a concave base (*see* Fig. 4);
- A = percentage elongation on gauge length $5.65 \sqrt{S_o}$;
- b = guaranteed minimum thickness, in millimetre at the centre of a convex base (*see* Fig. 1);
- d_2 = maximum permissible deviation of burst profile, in millimetre (*see* Fig. 11 and Fig. 12);
- D_o = nominal outside diameter of the cylinder, in millimetre (*see* Fig. 1);
- D_i = nominal inside diameter of the cylinder, in millimetre;

- D_F = diameter, in millimetre of former (*see* Fig. 9);
- h = outside depth (concave base end), in millimetre (*see* Fig. 4);
- H = outside height, in millimetre, of domed part (convex head or base end) (*see* Fig. 1);
- l = length of cylindrical part of the cylinder, in millimetre (*see* Fig. 5);
- L_o = original gauge length, in millimetre;
- n = ratio of the diameter of the bend test former to actual thickness of test piece (t);
- P_b = measured burst pressure, in bar or kgf/cm²;
- P_h = hydraulic test pressure, in bar or kgf/cm², above atmospheric pressure;
- P_w = working pressure, in bar or kgf/cm², above atmospheric pressure;
- P_y = observed pressure when cylinder starts yielding during hydraulic bursting test, in bar or kgf/cm²;
- r = inside knuckle radius, in millimetre (*see* Fig. 1 and Fig. 4);
- R = inside dishing radius, in millimetre;
- R_e = minimum guaranteed value of yield strength (*see* 3.1), in MPa or kgf/mm²;
- R_{ea} = actual value of the yield strength, in MPa or kgf/mm², as determined by the tensile test (*see* 10.2);
- R_{eH} = value corresponding to the upper yield strength;
- R_g = minimum guaranteed value of tensile strength, in MPa or kgf/mm²;
- R_m = actual value of tensile strength, in MPa or kgf/mm² as determined by the tensile test (*see* 10.2);
- $R_{m \text{ Max}}$ = maximum guaranteed value of tensile strength, in MPa or kgf/mm²;
- $R_{p0.2}$ = value corresponding to 0.2 percent proof stress (non-proportional elongation), for steels that do not exhibit a defined yield;
- S_o = original cross-sectional area of tensile test piece, in square millimetre according to IS 1608;
- t = actual thickness of the test specimen, in millimetre;
- u = ratio of distance between knife edges or platens in the flattening test to average cylinder wall thickness at the position of test;
- V = water capacity of cylinder, in litres; and
- w = width, in millimetre, of the tensile test piece.

5 MATERIALS

5.1 General Requirements

5.1.1 The steel used shall be such that its properties met the requirements of the finished product. The steel shall be aluminium or silicon killed with non-aging properties, other than rimming qualities. The chemical composition of all steels shall be declared and defined at least by:

- Carbon, manganese and silicon content in all, and
- Chromium, nickel, molybdenum, vanadium and that of any other alloying elements intentionally added.

NOTES

1 When aluminium or a combination of aluminium and silicon is used for killing the steel, the requirements regarding minimum silicon content does not apply.

2 When steel is aluminium-killed nitrogen content shall be limited to 0.01 percent.

3 When steel is aluminium killed by aluminium alone, nitrogen content is limited to 0.007 percent.

4 In case of chromium molybdenum steel with nickel, its value shall be nickel 2.30-2.80, Molybdenum 0.40-0.70 and Chromium 0.50-0.80.

5.1.2 The cylinder manufacturer shall establish means to identify the cylinders with the cast of steel from which they are made.

5.1.3 Grades of steel used for cylinder manufacture shall be compatible with the intended gas service, for example corrosive gases, embrittling gases (*see* IS/ISO 11114-1)

5.2 Controls on Chemical Composition

5.2.1 The chemical composition of all steels shall be defined at least by:

- Carbon, manganese and silicon contents in all cases;
- Chromium, nickel and molybdenum contents or other alloying elements intentionally added to the steel; and
- Maximum sulphur and phosphorus contents in all cases.

The carbon, manganese and silicon contents and, where appropriate, the chromium, nickel and molybdenum contents shall be given with tolerances, such that the differences between the maximum and minimum values of the cast do not exceed the values shown in col 5 of Table 1. The combined content of the elements like vanadium, niobium, titanium, boron and zirconium, shall not exceed 0.15 percent. The actual content of any element deliberately added shall be reported and their maximum content shall be representative of good steel making practice.

Table 1 Chemical Composition Tolerances

(Clauses 5.2.1 and 5.2.3)

SI No.	Element	Maximum Content in Percentage	Maximum Permissible Deviations in Percentage	Maximum Permissible Range in Percentage
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
i)	Carbon	< 0.30 ≥ 0.30	0.06 0.07	0.06 0.07
ii)	Manganese	All values	0.30	0.30
iii)	Silicon	All values	0.30	0.30
iv)	Chromium	< 1.50 ≥ 1.50	0.30 0.50	0.30 0.50
v)	Nickel	All values	0.40	0.40
vi)	Molybdenum	All values	0.15	0.15

5.2.2 Sulphur and phosphorus in the cast analysis of material used for the manufacture of gas cylinders shall not exceed the values shown in Table 2.

Table 2 Maximum Sulphur and Phosphorus Limits in Percentage

(Clause 5.2.2)

SI No.	Element	Maximum Content Limits in Percentage	
		<950 MPa	≥ 950 MPa
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
i)	Sulphur	0.020	0.010
ii)	Phosphorus	0.020	0.020
iii)	Sulphur + Phosphorus	0.030	0.025

5.2.3 The cylinder manufacturer shall obtain and provide certificates of cast (heat) analysis of the steels supplied for the construction of gas cylinders. If check analysis is required, it shall be carried out either on specimens taken during manufacture from the material in the form as supplied by the steel-maker to the cylinder manufacturer, or from finished cylinder. In any check analysis, the maximum permissible deviation from the values obtained for the cast analysis of that particular heat/cast, shall conform to the values specified in col 4 of Table 1.

5.3 Typical Steels

Two typical nationally/internationally recognized steel types which have provided safe performance over many years are:

- Chromium molybdenum steel (quenched and tempered); and
- Carbon manganese steel (quenched and tempered).

The chemical compositions of these steels, subject to the controls specified in **5.2.1** are given in Table 3.

Table 3 Internationally Recognized Steel Compositions (Cast Analyses)
(Clause 5.3)

Sl No.	Element	Steel Grade and Conditions (in Percentage)	
		For Cr Mo (Q & T) (3)	For C Mn (Q & T) (4)
(1)	(2)		
i)	Carbon	0.25 - 0.38	0.38, <i>Max</i>
ii)	Silicon	0.1 - 0.4	0.1 - 0.35
iii)	Manganese	0.4 - 1.0	1.35 - 1.70
iv)	Phosphorus	0.02, <i>Max</i>	0.02, <i>Max</i>
v)	Sulphur	0.02, <i>Max</i>	0.02, <i>Max</i>
vi)	Chromium	0.8 - 1.2	—
vii)	Molybdenum	0.15 - 0.40	—

5.4 Suitable steels other than above may be used with the prior permission of the statutory authority. In such a case, the yield strength of the steel taken for the purpose of calculating the wall thickness of the cylinder shall not be greater than the minimum specified value.

5.5 Heat Treatment

The cylinder manufacturer shall certify the heat treatment process applied to the finished cylinders. Quenching in any media other than mineral oil is permissible provided that the method produces cylinders free of cracks. If the rate of cooling in the medium is greater than 80 percent of that in water at 20°C without additives, every produced cylinder shall be subjected to method of non-destructive testing. During production of cylinders concentration of quenchant shall be checked and recorded during every shift to ensure that limits are maintained. The tempering process shall achieve the required mechanical properties. The actual temperature to which a type of steel is subjected for a given tensile strength shall not deviate by more than 30°C from the temperature specified by the cylinder manufacturer.

6 DESIGN

6.1 General Requirements

6.1.1 The calculation of the wall thickness of the pressure containing parts shall be related to the guaranteed minimum yield stress (R_e) of the material.

6.1.2 For calculation purposes, the value of R_e shall not exceed $0.85 R_g$.

6.1.3 The internal pressure upon which the calculation of wall thickness is based shall be the hydraulic test pressure (P_h).

6.2 Limitation on Tensile Strength

6.2.1 Where there is no risk of hydrogen embrittlement

the maximum value of the tensile strength is limited by the ability of the steel to pass the requirements of **9** and **10**, but in no case shall the actual maximum tensile strength R_m exceed 1 100 MPa for chrome-molybdenum steel or 1 030 MPa for carbon manganese steels.

6.2.2 Where there is a risk of hydrogen embrittlement the maximum value of the tensile strength as determined as per **10.2** shall either be 880 MPa or, where the ratio R_{ca}/R_m does not exceed 0.9, shall be 950 MPa. The hardness obtained on each cylinder shall be within the band related to the range of declared values of tensile strength.

6.2.3 In case of cylinders for compressed natural gas or any embrittling gas or embrittling gas mixtures as specified in IS/ISO 11114-1 or by statutory authority, the maximum value of the tensile strength ($R_{m \text{ Max}}$) as determined as per **10.2** shall either be 880 MPa or where the ratio R_{ca}/R_m does not exceed 0.9 shall be 950 MPa. The minimum guaranteed value of tensile strength in MPa (R_g) shall be less than or equal to $R_{m \text{ Max}}$ minus 120 MPa. The hardness obtained on each cylinder shall be within the band related to the range of declared values of tensile strength.

6.3 Calculation of Cylindrical Shell Thickness

6.3.1 The minimum wall thickness of the cylindrical shell of the cylinder to be calculated by following formulae:

$$f = \frac{P_h (1.3D_o^2 + 0.4D_i^2)}{100(D_o^2 - D_i^2)} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$a \geq D_o^2/250 + 1 \quad \dots(2)$$

with absolute minimum of $a = 1.5$ mm

where

f = maximum allowable wall stress at hydrostatic test pressure, in kgf/mm²;

= $5/6 R_e$, R_e being the minimum value of the yield strength in kgf/mm²;

D_o = nominal outer diameter of cylinder, in mm;

D_i = nominal inner diameter of cylinder, in mm;

a = calculated minimum wall thickness of cylindrical shell in mm, excluding additional allowances to resist influences other than those of internal pressure and of external forces due to normal handling; and

P_h = hydrostatic test pressure above atmospheric, in kgf/cm² (5/3 times working pressure).

6.3.2 The value of the wall thickness as calculated from above formula shall however, be not less than $0.136 \sqrt{D_o}$.

6.4 Calculation of Convex Ends (Heads and Bases)

6.4.1 The thickness, b , at the center of a convex end shall not be less than that required by the following criteria:

$$b \geq 1.5a' > H/D_o \geq 0.25$$

$$b \geq 2a' \text{ for } 0.25 > H/D_o \geq 0.2$$

where the inside knuckle radius, r , is not less than $0.075 D_o$.

NOTE — $H/D_o \leq 0.20$ is not recommended.

6.4.1.1 For cylinders manufactured from plate, the thickness, b , at the centre of a convex end shall be not less than that required by the following criteria:

$$b \geq 1.5 a' \text{ for } 0.40 > H/D_o \geq 0.20$$

$$b \geq a' > \text{for } H/D_o \geq 0.40$$

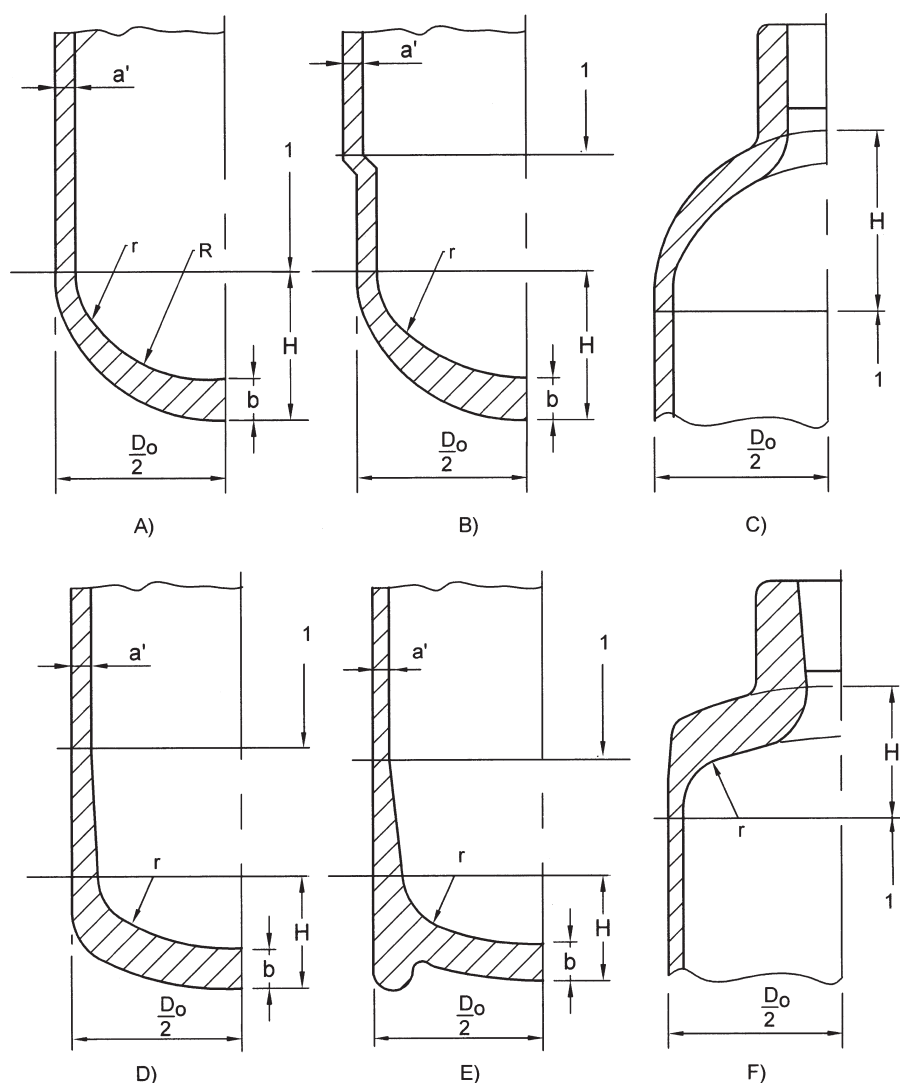
where the inside knuckle radius, r , is not less than $0.075 D_o$.

6.4.1.2 In order to obtain a satisfactory stress distribution in the region where the end joins the shell, any thickening of the end that may be required shall be gradual from the point of juncture. For the application of this rule the point of juncture between the shell and the end is defined by the horizontal line indicating dimension H in Fig. 1.

6.4.2 Nevertheless, if the shape of the convex end is such that the following conditions are fulfilled:

$$R \leq D_o$$

$$r \geq 0.1 D_o$$



NOTE — Shape B shall not be excluded from this requirement.

Key

1 — Cylindrical part

FIG. 1 TYPICAL CONVEX ENDS

where (see Fig. 1)

R = inside dishing radius, in millimetre; and

r = inside knuckle radius, in millimetre.

For wall thickness up to and including 5 mm, the value of F shall be obtained from Fig. 2 and Fig. 3.

The wall thickness of the end will be acceptable, if it is nowhere less than the value t_e when calculated with the formula:

$$t_e = a \times F$$

where F is a shape factor, the value of which depends on the value of H/D_o and if $H/D_o < 0.25$, also on t_e/D_o , where H is the outside height of the domed part of the convex end.

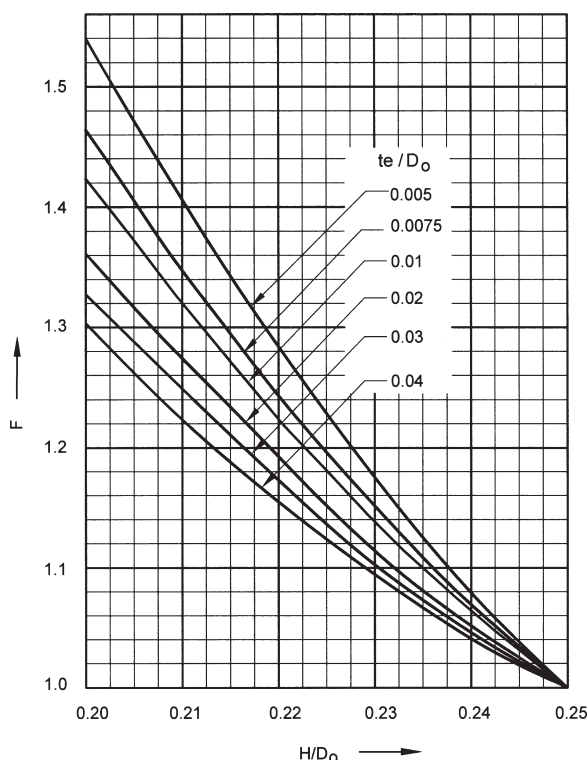


FIG. 2 VALUES OF SHAPE FACTOR F AND H/D_o BETWEEN 0.20 AND 0.25

6.4.3 The outside height H mentioned at 6.4.2 is the distance from the plane of the cross-section at the extreme limit of the cylindrical part of the cylinder to the farthest point of the centre of the connecting formed end. For the application of this rule:

- The cylindrical part of the cylinder includes any portion with slight deviations of the geometrical cylindrical shape, such as more or less conical wall inside or outside or at both surfaces, reduction in diameter for a foot-ring, etc; and
- Farthest point of the center of formed end shall not include the cylindrical length of neck which holds the valve (see Fig. 1).

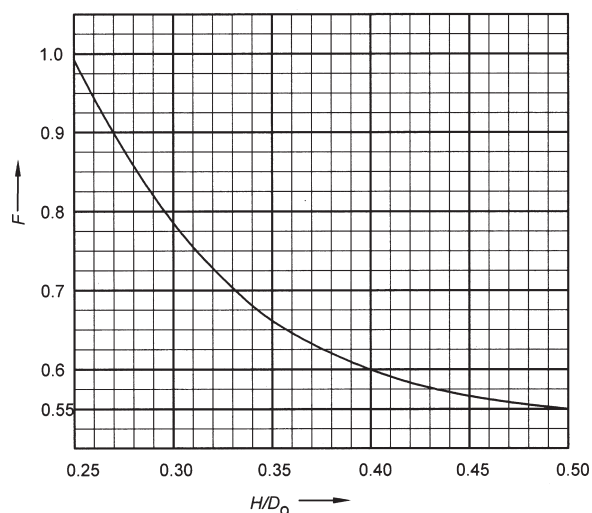


FIG. 3 VALUES OF SHAPE FACTOR F FOR H/D_o BETWEEN 0.25 AND 0.5

6.5 Calculation of Concave Base Ends

When concave base ends (see Fig. 4) are used the following design values are recommended:

$$a_1 \geq 2 a'$$

$$a_2 \geq 2 a'$$

$$h \geq 0.10 D_o$$

$$r \geq 0.075 D_o$$

The design drawing shall at least show values for a_1 , a_2 , h and r .

NOTE — Cylinders manufactured for CNG storage cascades shall not have concave base ends.

6.5.1 In order to obtain a satisfactory stress distribution, the thickness of the cylinder wall shall increase progressively in the transition region between the cylindrical part and the base.

The cylinder manufacturer shall in any case prove by pressure cycling test as given in 9.2.3 that the design is satisfactory.

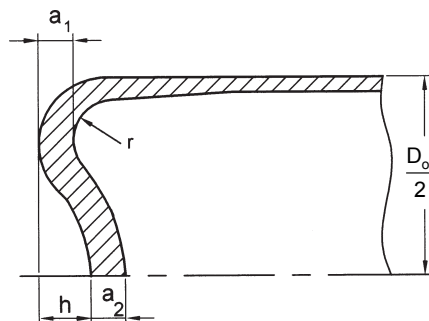


FIG. 4 CONCAVE BASE ENDS

6.6 Neck Design

6.6.1 The external diameter and thickness of the neck end of the cylinder shall be adequate for the torque applied in fitting the valve to the cylinder. The torque may vary according to the diameter of thread, the form of thread and the sealant used in the fitting of the valve (for guidance on torque, *see* IS 3224 and IS 3745).

6.6.2 In establishing the minimum thickness, consideration shall be given to obtain a thickness of wall in the cylinder neck which will prevent permanent expansion of the neck during the initial and subsequent fittings of the valve into the cylinder without support of an attachment such as a neck ring. Where the cylinder is specifically designed to be fitted with such reinforcement, such as neck-ring, or shrunk-on collar, the same shall be taken into account.

6.6.3 Valve Fittings

The cylinder neck shall be threaded to suit the type of valves as given in IS 3224 or any other specification as approved by the statutory authority. The threads shall be full form, clean cut even and without chatter, answering to gauges, and concentric with the axis of the cylinder.

6.7 Foot-Rings

When a foot-ring is provided, it shall be sufficiently strong and made of material compatible with that of the cylinder. The shape should preferably be cylindrical and shall give the cylinder sufficient stability. The foot-ring shall be secured to the cylinder by a method other than welding, brazing or soldering. Any gaps, which may form water traps, shall be sealed by a method other than welding, brazing or soldering.

6.8 Neck-Rings

6.8.1 The valve shall be protected against damage by the provision of a short metal cap of thickness not less than 2.5 mm. Cylinders for non-toxic gases, of nominal water capacity up to 5 litre shall be exempted from this provision. Cylinders for non-toxic gases of nominal water capacity above 5 litre and up to 10.5 litre may not be provided with valve protection cap, if approved by the statutory authority. The cap shall be of such a shape that it is no where in actual contact with any part of the valve or the valve body. The cap shall be provided with vents of adequate size so as to avoid any gas of pressure accumulation inside cap in case of leak. However, in case of toxic gases, the cap shall be gas tight, capable of withstanding maximum developed pressure of contained gas at 65°C. For non-toxic gas the cap may be replaced by guard.

6.8.1.1 Cylinders assembled in cascades or skids the neck rings may not be provided, as the valves are

protected by the cascade frame itself during transportation.

6.8.2 When a neck-ring is provided, it shall be sufficiently strong and made of material compatible with that of the cylinder and shall be securely attached by a method other than welding, brazing or soldering. The manufacturer shall ensure that the torque to turn the neck ring is greater than 100 Nm and the axial load to remove the neck-ring shall be greater than 10 times weight of empty cylinder but not less than 1 000 N.

6.9 Design Drawing

A fully dimensioned drawing shall be prepared which includes the specification of the material (cast analyses), neck threads, working pressure, test pressure, mechanical properties selected for calculating the wall thickness, heat treatment parameters and hardness range and length, weight and water capacity.

7 MANUFACTURE

7.1 General

The cylinder shall be produced by any one of the following methods:

- a) Forging or drop forging from a solid ingot or billet;
- b) Manufacturing from seamless tube (hot/cold finish, flow formed);
- c) Pressing from a flat plate;
- d) Closing of the open ends may be done by any hot working processes such as spinning, forging, etc; and
- e) Cylinders may be designed with one or two openings along the central cylinder axis. Metal shall not be added in the process of closure of the end. Plugging to correct manufacturing defects in cylinder bases is not permitted.

7.2 Wall Thickness

During production each cylinder or semi-finished shell shall be examined for thickness. The wall thickness at any point shall not be less than the minimum thickness specified. If required by the purchaser, suitable allowances to cover corrosion, manufacturing tolerances stresses due to horizontal acceleration and retardation during transportation may also be provided. The amount of this allowance shall be as agreed to between the manufacturer and the purchaser.

7.3 Surface Defects

The internal and external surfaces of the finished cylinder shall be free from defects which would adversely affect the safe working of the cylinder. *See* Annex A for examples of defects and guidance on their evaluation.

7.4 Ultrasonic Examination

Each cylinder shall be ultrasonically examined for defects in accordance with Annex B except for cylinder made from carbon manganese steel having diameter up to 300 mm and working pressure upto 160 kgf/cm². Examination of cylinders to be used for embrittling gases such as methane, hydrogen and carbon monoxide shall be carried out after heat treatment. For cylinders containing other gases examination may be carried out either during or at the completion of manufacture. However the ultrasonic examination shall be performed on the cylindrical part after the final wall thickness has been achieved except for small cylinders with a cylindrical length of less than 200 mm or where the product of $P_w \times V < 400$ (for $R_m \geq 650$ MPa) or $P_w \times V < 800$ (for $R_m < 650$ MPa) the ultrasonic test is not necessary.

7.5 Out-of-Roundness

The out-of-roundness of the cylindrical shell that is the difference between the maximum and minimum outside

diameters at the same cross-section shall not exceed 2 percent of the mean of these diameters.

7.6 Mean Diameter

The mean external diameter of the cylindrical part outside the transition zones on across-section shall not deviate more than ± 1 percent from the nominal design diameter.

7.7 Straightness

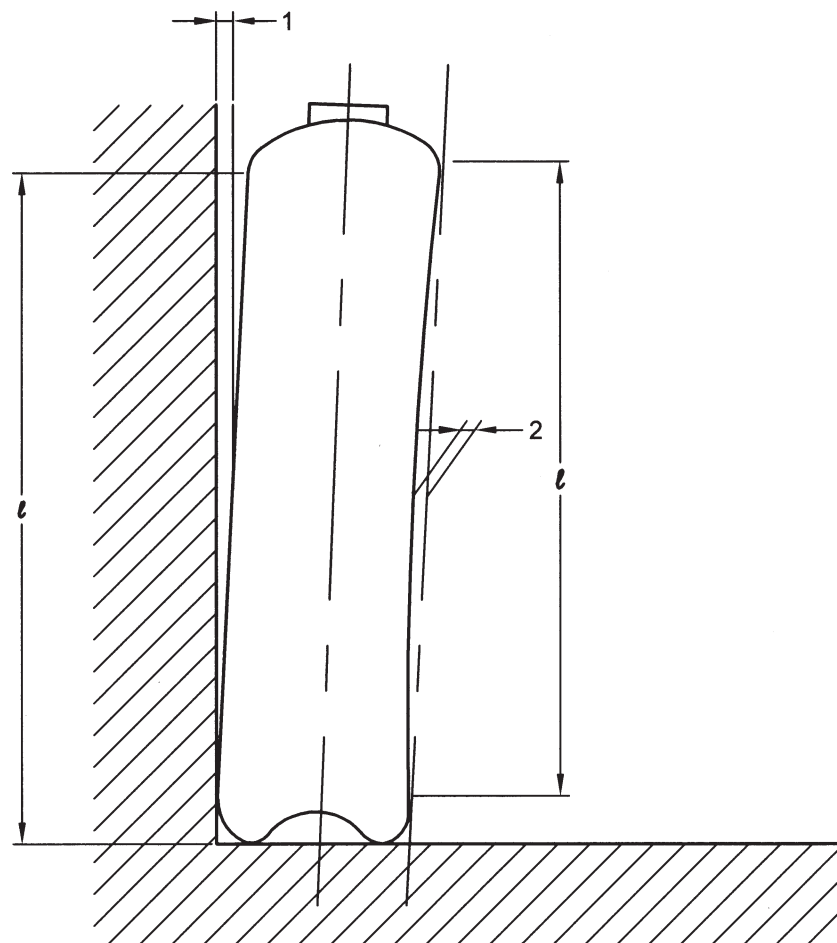
The maximum deviation of the cylindrical part of the shell from a straight line shall not exceed 3 mm/m length (see Fig. 5).

7.8 Verticality

Deviation from vertical shall not exceed 10 mm/m length (see Fig. 5).

7.9 Stability

The outer diameter of the surface in contact with the



Key

- 1 — Maximum $0.01 \times l$ (see 7.7)
- 2 — Maximum $0.003 \times l$ (see 7.8)

FIG. 5 ILLUSTRATION OF DEVIATION OF CYLINDRICAL PART OF SHELL FROM A STRAIGHT LINE AND FROM VERTICAL

ground shall be greater than 65 percent of the nominal outside diameter of the cylinder.

7.10 Testing Requirements

The material of the finished cylinder shall satisfy the requirements given in **9** (Type Approval Procedure), **10** (Batch Test) and **11** (Test on Every Cylinder).

7.10.1 Retest

In the event of failure to meet the test requirement in hardness testing individual cylinder shall be hardened and tempered to meet the specific requirement. It shall continue to be part of original batch unless the repeat heat treatment temperature differs by more than 30° C from the first heat treatment. In case of failure in carrying out the batch testing as given in **10**, the following retesting procedures shall be followed:

7.10.1.1 If the sample fails in any of the test specified in **10.2**, **10.3** and **10.4** and if the inspecting authority considers that failure was due to an error in carrying out the test, a fresh test shall be made on a test piece taken from the same cylinder. The defective test shall be ignored but otherwise, at the cylinder makers' discretion, one of the following procedures shall be adopted:

- a) The test in which the failure occurred shall be repeated on the cylinder or test ring originally tested and, in addition, the test specified in **10.2**, **10.3** and **10.4** shall be carried out on another cylinder or test rings from the same batch of the cylinders. If both test samples comply with the test requirements of **10.2**, **10.3** and **10.4** the batch shall be accepted.
- b) The batch may be reheat-treated as given in **5.5** and the tests specified in **10.2**, **10.3** and **10.4** shall be carried out on two cylinders or test rings at the discretion of inspecting authority, which have not been previously tested. If both test samples satisfy the test requirements, the batch shall be accepted.

7.10.2 If any of the tests specified in **10.2**, **10.3** and **10.4** fail, the batch may be reheat-treated as given in **7.10** and retested as given in **7.10.1.1** (b). If both test samples satisfy the test requirements, the batch shall be accepted.

7.10.3 No cylinder shall, however, be reheat-treated more than three times. Also, if more than five cylinders in a batch are reheat-treated, they shall constitute a new batch for the purposes of **10.2**, **10.3** and **10.4**.

7.10.4 Not more than five cylinders or test rings from batch shall be submitted to the test and the limitations on reheat-treatment given in **7.10.3** shall be complied with.

7.10.5 If after the permitted number of retests and reheat-treatments the tests requirements have not been complied with, the cylinders in the batch shall be rendered unserviceable for holding the gas under pressure.

7.10.6 If any cylinders fail to meet the requirements of hydrostatic stretch test in terms of stretch, or burst test, no further cylinders conforming to that drawing, shall be accepted from the manufacturer until it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the inspector that the cause of the failure has been identified and corrected. Also, for the batch under consideration, each of the remaining cylinders should be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the inspector, to be free from the defect which caused the failure.

7.11 Water Capacity

The manufacturer shall check and record the water capacity of each cylinder in order to ensure compliance as following tolerance:

- a) For cylinders of water capacity up to and including 20 litres = + 10/- 0 percent, subject to a maximum of 1 litre; and
- b) For cylinders of water capacity exceeding 20 litre = + 5/- 0 percent.

8 INSPECTION AND TESTING

In order to ensure that the cylinders are in compliance with this standard, they shall be subject to inspection and testing in accordance with **9** (Type Approval Procedure), **10** (Batch Tests) and **11** (Test on Every Cylinder) by an authorized inspection body (hereafter referred to as 'the inspector') recognized by the statutory authority.

9 TYPE APPROVAL PROCEDURE

9.1 General Requirement

A technical specification of each new design of cylinder or cylinder family as given in **9.1** (f) including design drawing, design calculations, steel details and heat treatment, shall be submitted by the manufacturer to the inspector for scrutiny and further recommendation to statutory authority. The tests given in **9.2** shall be carried out on each new design under the supervision of the inspector. A cylinder shall be considered to be of a new design, compared with an existing approved design, when:

- a) it is manufactured in a different factory; or
- b) it is manufactured by a different process (see **7.1**); or
- c) it is manufactured from a steel of different specified chemical composition range as

- defined in **5.2.1**; or the manufacturer of steel is changed; or
- d) it is given a different heat treatment beyond the limits stipulated in **5.5**; or
- e) base or the base/neck profile has changed that is, concave, convex, hemispherical or also if there is a change in base thickness/cylinder diameter ratio; or
- f) overall length of the cylinder has increased by more than 50 percent (cylinders with a length to diameter ratio less than 3 shall not be used as reference cylinders for any new design with this ratio greater than 3); or
- g) nominal outside diameter has changed; or
- h) design wall thickness has changed; or
- j) hydraulic test pressure has been increased (where a cylinder is to be used for lower pressure duty than that for which design approval has been given, it shall not be deemed to be a new design); or
- k) guaranteed minimum yield stress (R_e) and/or the guaranteed minimum tensile strength (R_g) have changed.

9.2 Prototype Tests

9.2.1 A minimum of 50 cylinders which are guaranteed by the manufacturer to be representative of the new design shall be made available for prototype testing. However, if for special applications the total number of cylinders including test cylinders required is less than 50, enough cylinders shall be made to complete the prototype tests required, in addition to the production quantity.

9.2.2 In the course of the type approval process, the inspector shall select the cylinders for testing and

- a) Verify that:
 - 1) design conforms to the requirements of **6** (Design);
 - 2) requirements of **5** (Materials) are complied with;
 - 3) thickness of the wall and ends on one cylinder (those taken for mechanical testing) meets the requirements of **6.3** the measurements being taken at least at three transverse sections of the cylindrical part and on a longitudinal section of the base and head;
 - 4) requirements of **6.5**, **6.6**, **6.7**, **6.8**, **7.5** and **7.8** are complied with for all cylinders selected by the inspector; and
 - 5) internal and external surfaces of the cylinders are free of any defect which might make them unsafe to use (*see* Annex A).

- b) Supervise the following tests on the cylinders selected:

- 1) Tests specified in **10.1.3** (d) (Hydraulic Burst Test) on one cylinder, the cylinders bearing representative stamp markings;
- 2) Tests specified in **10.1.3** (a), **10.1.3** (b), **10.1.3** (c) (Mechanical Testing) on one cylinder/test rings, the test pieces being identifiable with the batch;
- 3) Tests specified in **9.2.3** (Pressure Cycling Test) on two cylinders, with minimum base thickness of the batch, the cylinders bearing representative stamp markings;
- 4) For cylinders made from seamless tube the test specified in **9.2.4** (Base Check) on the two cylinders selected for mechanical testing and one for burst test; and
- 5) Cylinders selected for pressure cycling test may be used for hydraulic burst test.

NOTES

1 For performance of tests **9.2.2** (b) (1) and **9.2.2** (b) (4), the cylinder which have passed test **9.2.2** (b) (3) may be used.

2 However, for cylinder exceeding 300 mm diameter and capacity exceeding 150 litres only one cylinder shall be subjected to test at **9.2.2** (b) (3) followed by test at **9.2.2** (b) (1).

3 In case of cylinders having diameter exceeding 300 mm for test at **9.2.2** (b) (2), a sample cut from a tube of same heat number in the form of a ring of sufficient length to provide requisite test piece, may be taken and subjected to the same heat treatment, so that its mechanical properties are representative of the cylinders in the batch.

4 Consideration should be given to select cylinders which represent the lower and upper values of the hardness range for test at **9.2.2** (b) (3).

9.2.3 Pressure Cycling Test

This test shall be carried out on cylinders bearing representative markings with a non-corrosive liquid subjecting the cylinders to successive reversals at an upper cyclic pressure which is at least equal to the hydraulic test pressure (P_h). The cylinders shall withstand 12 000 cycles without failure.

For cylinders with hydraulic test pressure (P_h) > 450 bar, the upper cyclic pressure may be reduced to 60 percent of this test pressure as below. In this case, the cylinders shall withstand 80 000 cycles without failure.

NOTE — $UCP = 3/5 \times P_h$ (*see* **6.3.1**).

The value of the lower cyclic pressure shall not exceed 10 percent of the upper cyclic pressure, but shall have an absolute maximum of 30 bar.

The cylinder shall actually experience the maximum and minimum cyclic pressures during the test.

The frequency of reversals of pressure shall not exceed 0.25 Hz (15 cycles/min). The temperature measured

on the outside surface of the cylinder shall not exceed 65°C during the test.

The test shall be considered satisfactory if the cylinder attains the required number of cycles without developing a leak.

After the test, the cylinder bases shall be sectioned in order to measure the thickness and to ensure that this thickness is greater than the minimum designed thickness.

9.2.4 Base Check (for Cylinder Made from Tube Only)

A meridian section with offset equal to saw blade thickness shall be made in the base of the cylinder and one of the surfaces thus obtained polished for examination under a magnification of between 5 X and 10 X. The cylinder shall be regarded as defective if the presence of cracks is detected. It shall also be regarded as defective, if the dimensions of any pores or inclusions present reach values considered to pose a threat to safety. In no case shall the sound thickness (that is the thickness with no defects) in the base centre be less than the specified shell thickness as per 6.4 and 6.5.

9.2.5 Sulphide Stress Cracking Resistance Test

If the upper limit of the specified tensile strength for the steel exceeds 950 MPa, the steel from a finished cylinder shall be subjected to a sulphide stress cracking test in accordance with 9.2.5.1 and meet the requirements listed therein.

9.2.5.1 Sulphide stress cracking test for steel

Tests shall be conducted on a minimum of three tensile specimens with a gauge diameter of 3.81 mm machined from the wall of a finished cylinder. The specimens shall be placed under a constant tensile load equal to 60 percent of the specified minimum yield strength of the steel, immersed in a solution of distilled water buffered with 0.5 percent (mass fraction) sodium acetate trihydrate and adjusted to an initial pH of 4.0 using acetic acid. The solution shall be continuously saturated at room temperature and pressure with 0.414 kPa hydrogen sulphide (balance nitrogen). The tested specimens shall not fail within test duration of 144 h. Specimen that fails outside gauge are considered as invalid test.

NOTES

1 This is a test for type of material, duly heat treated, and results can be used for any cylinders from that material, with same heat treatment and applicable only for cylinders for CNG, Methane and Hythane gases.

2 For guidance Method A — NACE Standard tensile test procedure, as described in NACE standard TM0177-96 may be referred.

9.3 Type Approval Certificate

If the results of the checks according to 9.2 are

satisfactory, the inspector shall issue a type approval certificate (a typical proforma for type approval certificate is given at Annex C).

10 BATCH TESTS

10.1 General Requirements

10.1.1 All tests given at 10.1.3 for checking the quality of the gas cylinder material shall be carried out on material from finished cylinders or test rings.

For the purpose of batch testing the manufacturer shall provide the inspector with:

- a) type approval certificate;
- b) certificates from material manufacturer stating the cast analysis of the steel supplied for the manufacture of the cylinders, and heat-wise verification by test laboratory;
- c) evidence that appropriate heat treatment has been performed;
- d) a list of the cylinders, stating serial numbers and stamp markings as required;
- e) confirmation that threads are checked properly in accordance with gauging requirements. The gauges to be used shall be specified; and
- f) certificates showing the ultrasonic testing results;

For CNG cylinders selected one cylinder from batch for pressure cycling test (10.5) and burst test (10.6).

10.1.2 During batch testing, the inspector shall:

- a) ascertain that the type approval certificate has been obtained and the cylinders confirm to it;
- b) check whether the requirements set out in 5, 6 and 7 have met and in particular check by an external and, if physically possible, internal visual examination of the cylinders whether their construction and checks carried out by the manufacturer in accordance with 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 7.6, 7.7 and 7.8 are satisfactory. The visual examination shall cover at least 10 percent of the cylinders manufacture;
- c) check whether the information supplied by the manufacturer referred to in 10.1.1 is correct;
- d) select the cylinders per batch for destructive testing and carry out the tests specified in 10.2, 10.3, 10.4 and 10.5. Where alternative tests are permitted, the purchaser and manufacturer shall agree which tests are to be carried out; and
- e) assess the results of hardness testing specified in 11.3.

For CNG cylinders, select one cylinder from batch for pressure cycling test and burst test as specified in 10.6.

10.1.3 Mechanical Test

The following tests shall be carried out on one cylinder of each batch:

- a) One tensile test in the longitudinal direction (see 10.2);
- b) Two bend tests in a circumferential direction (see 10.4);
- c) Three impact tests in transverse or longitudinal direction as required in 10.3 when the thickness of the cylinder permits the machining of a test piece at least 3 mm thick; and
- d) One hydraulic bursting test (see 10.5) on a further cylinder (see Note 2).

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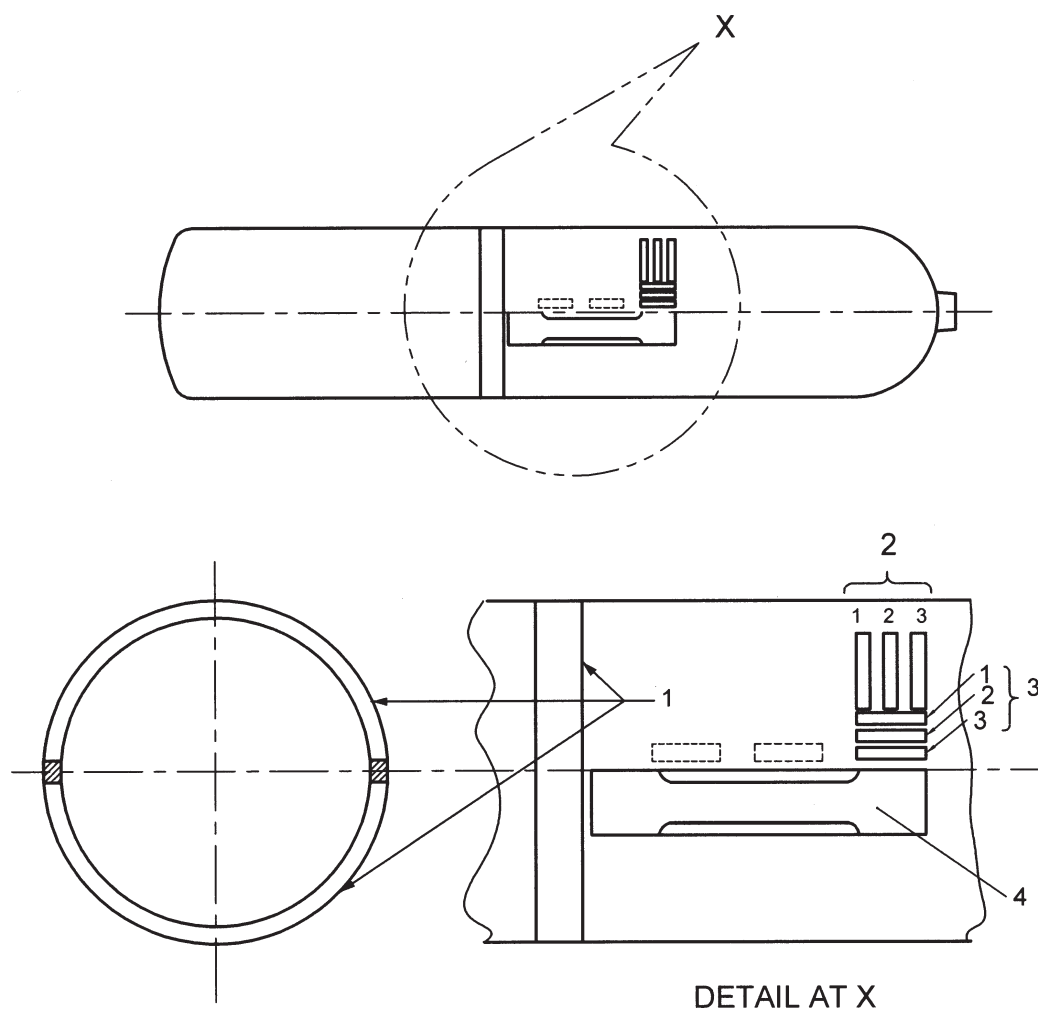
1 For location of test pieces, see Fig. 6.

2 Applicable only for chromium molybdenum cylinders.

10.2 Tensile Test

10.2.1 A tensile test shall be carried out on material taken from the cylindrical part of the cylinder by adopting either of the following procedures.

- a) Rectangular specimens shall be prepared in accordance with Fig. 6 and with a gauge length $L_0 = 5.65\sqrt{S_0}$. The two faces of the test piece representing the inside and outside surfaces of the cylinder shall not be machined. The elongation (A) measured shall not be less than 14 percent; and

**Key**

- 1 — Bend test pieces
- 2 — Transverse impact test pieces
- 3 — Longitudinal impact test pieces (alternative positions shown dotted)
- 4 — Tensile test pieces

FIG. 6 TYPICAL LOCATION OF TEST PIECES

- b) Machined round specimens shall be prepared having the maximum diameter practicable, the elongation (A) measured on a gauge length of 5 times the specimen diameter being no less than 16 percent. It is recommended that machined round specimens are not used for wall thickness less than 3 mm.

10.2.2 In case of non-proportional elongation, the yield stress shall be 0.2 percent of proof stress. The tensile test shall be carried out in accordance with IS 1608.

10.3 Impact Test

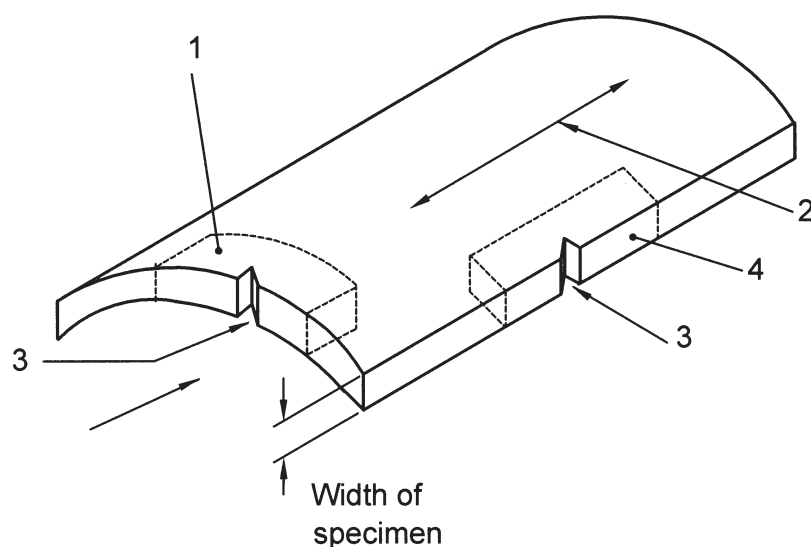
10.3.1 Except for the requirement set out below, the test shall be carried out in accordance with IS 1757. The impact test pieces shall be taken in the direction as required in Table 4 from the wall of the cylinder. The notch shall be perpendicular to the face of the cylinder

wall (see Fig. 7). For longitudinal tests the test piece shall be machined all over (on six faces). If the wall thickness does not permit a final test piece width of 10 mm, the width shall be as near as practicable to the nominal thickness of the cylinder wall. The test pieces taken in the transverse direction shall be machined on four faces only, the outer face of the cylinder wall unmachined and the inner face optionally machined as shown in Fig. 8. The test results should be reported in both Joules and Joules/cm².

10.3.2 Minimum acceptance values are given in Table 4.

10.4 Bend Test

10.4.1 The bend test shall be carried out on two test pieces obtained by cutting either one or two rings of width 25 mm or 4 times the minimum agreed finished



Key

- 1 — Transverse specimen
- 2 — Cylinder longitudinal-axis
- 3 — Charpy - V - notch perpendicular to wall
- 4 — Longitudinal specimen

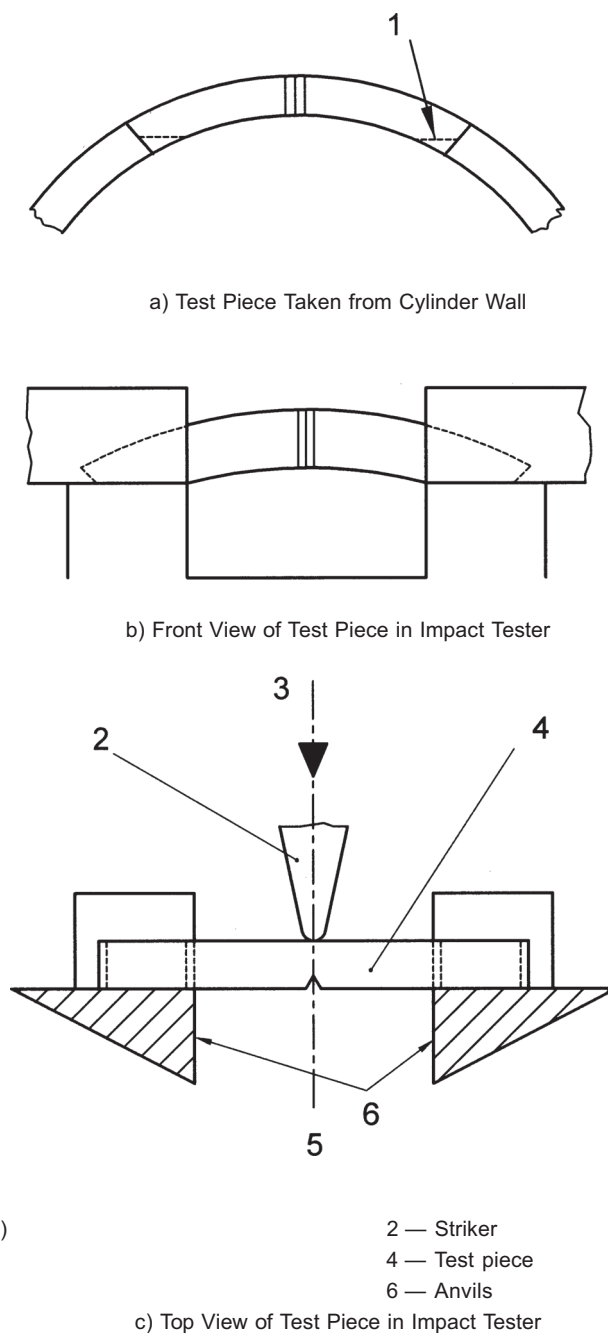
FIG. 7 DESCRIPTION OF TRANSVERSE AND LONGITUDINAL IMPACT TEST PIECES

Table 4 Impact Test Acceptance Values

(Clauses 10.3.1 and 10.3.2)

Sl No.	Cylinder Diameter D_{os} in mm		> 140			≤ 140
	(1)	(2)	(3)			(4)
i)	Direction of testing		Transverse			Longitudinal
ii)	Width of the test piece in mm		3-5	5-7.5	7.5-10	3-10
iii)	Test temperature, in °C ¹⁾		-20			-20
iv)	Impact strength in J/cm ² , Min	Mean of 3 specimens	30	35	40	60
		Individual specimen	24	28	32	48

¹⁾ For applications at lower temperatures the test shall be carried out at the lowest temperature specified.

**Key**

- 1 — Machining (optional)
 3 — Direction of strike
 5 — Centre of strike

- 2 — Striker
 4 — Test piece
 6 — Anvils

FIG. 8 DESCRIPTION OF TRANSVERSE IMPACT TESTING

thickness, whichever is the greater, into equal parts. Each test piece shall be of sufficient length to permit the bend test to be carried out correctly. Only the edges of each strip may be machined.

10.4.2 The test piece shall not crack when bent inwards around the former until the inside surfaces are not further apart than the diameter of the former (*see* Fig. 9).

10.4.3 The maximum diameter of the former (D_F) shall be established from Table 5. For the actual tensile strength (R_m) given in Table 5; $D_F = n \times t$.

Table 5 Bend Test Requirements
 (Clause 10.4.3)

Sl No. (1)	Actual Tensile Strength, R_m (in MPa) (2)	Value of n (3)
i)	Upto and including 800	4
ii)	Above 800 upto and including 880	5
iii)	Above 880 upto and including 950	6
iv)	Above 950 upto and including 1 100	7

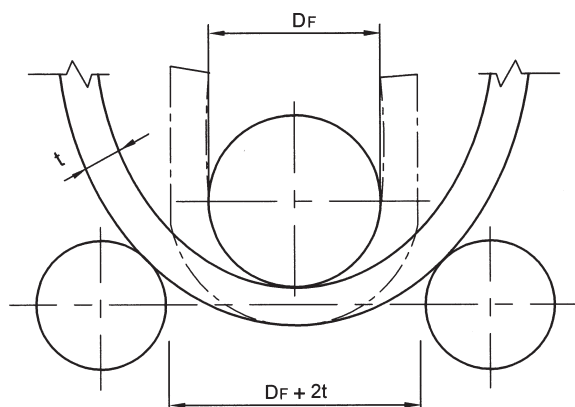


FIG. 9 ILLUSTRATION OF BEND TEST

10.5 Hydraulic Bursting Test

10.5.1 Test Installation

The test equipment shall be capable of operation in accordance with the test conditions specified in **10.5.2** and of accurately producing the information required by **10.5.3**. A typical hydraulic bursting test installation is illustrated in Fig. 10.

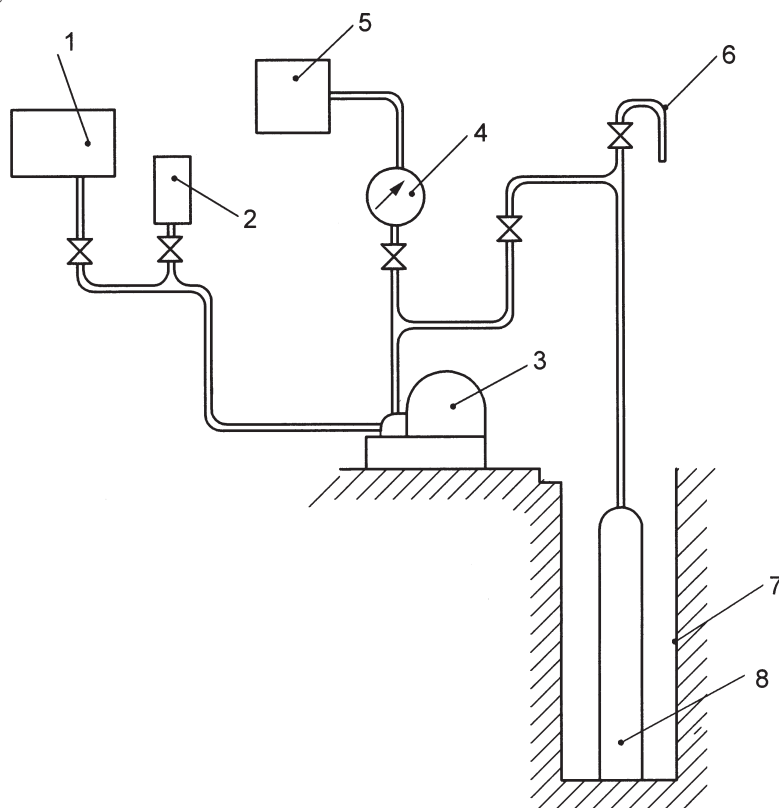
10.5.2 Test Conditions

As the cylinder and test equipment are being filled with water, care shall be taken to ensure that no air is trapped in the circuit by means of operating the hydraulic pump until water is discharged from the vent or air-release valve. During the test, pressurization shall be carried out in two successive stages:

- In the first stage, the pressure shall be increased at a rate of not more than 0.5 MPa/s (5 bar/s) up to a pressure value corresponding to the initiation of plastic deformation; and
- In the second stage, the pump discharge rate shall be maintained at as constant a level as is possible until the cylinder bursts.

10.5.3 Interpretation of Test

- The interpretation of the burst test shall involve:
 - Examination of the pressure/time curve or pressure/volume of water used curve, to permit determination of the pressure



Key

1 — Test fluid reservoir

3 — Pump

5 — Pressure / time curve recorder

7 — Test well

2 — Tank for measurement of test fluid (the feed tank may also be used as a measuring tank)

4 — Pressure gauge

6 — Vent or air release valve

8 — Cylinder

FIG. 10 TYPICAL HYDRAULIC TEST INSTALLATION

- (P_y) at which plastic deformation of the cylinder commences, together with the bursting pressure (P_b); and
- 2) Examination of the burst tear and of the shape of its edges.

For the result of a bursting test to be considered satisfactory, the following requirements shall be met:

- 1) Observed yield pressure (P_y) shall be greater than or equal to 1.2 times of test pressure (P_b); and
 - 2) Actual burst pressure (P_b) shall be greater than or equal to 2.25 times of working pressure (P_w).
- b) The cylinder shall remain in one piece and shall not fragment;
 - c) The main fracture shall be in the cylindrical portion and shall not be brittle, that is the fracture edges shall be inclined with respect to the wall. The tear shall not reveal a significant defect in the metal;
 - d) For cylinder with wall thickness less than 7.5 mm, the fracture shall be acceptable only if it conforms to one of the following descriptions;
 - 1) Longitudinal, without branching (see Fig. 11);
 - 2) Longitudinal, with a side branching at each end which in no case extends d_2 beyond the longitudinal plane normal to the fracture plane (see Fig. 12).

- e) Cylinder having diameter exceeding 300 mm and water capacity exceeding 150 litre shall be subjected to hydraulic pressure not less than calculated burst pressure as per formula given below. During pressurization, if no visible permanent deformation is observed, the cylinder shall be considered to have passed the burst test.

$$R_g \times 0.95 = \frac{P_b (D_o - 2a')}{200a'}$$

10.5.4 Acceptance Criteria

Illustrate satisfactory burst test profiles are given in Fig. 11 and Fig. 12 and batches represented by such results shall be accepted. If the configuration of the fracture does not conform to Fig. 11 or Fig. 12, but all other material and mechanical tests are satisfactory, investigation of the cause of the non-conformity shall be undertaken prior to acceptance or rejection of the batch.

10.6 Pressure Cycling Test

One cylinder shall be drawn at random from a batch of 202 or less heat treated cylinders and shall be subjected to pressure cycling test as given in 9.2.3 at upper cyclic pressure equal to working pressure for 40 000 cycles. The value of lower cyclic pressure shall not exceed 10 percent of upper cyclic pressure, but shall have absolute maximum pressure of 30 kgf/cm². The test shall be considered satisfactory, if it attains the required number of cycles without developing a leak.

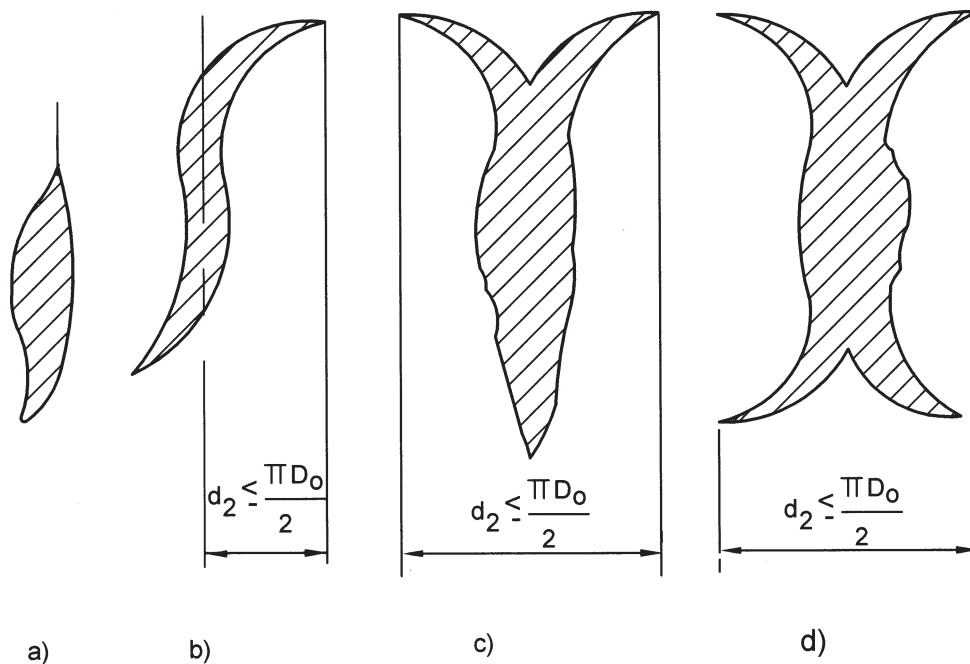


FIG. 11 ACCEPTABLE BURST PROFILES—LONGITUDINAL WITHOUT BRANCHING

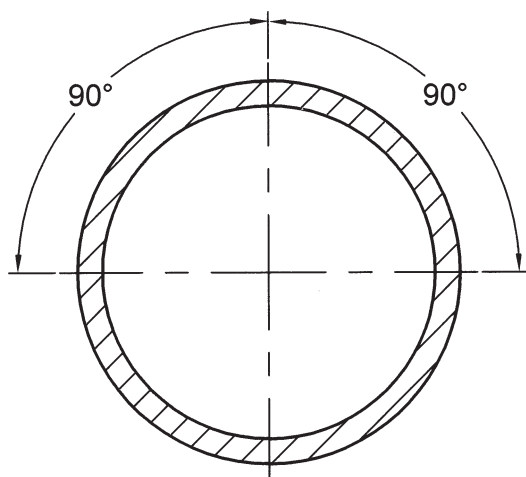


FIG. 12 ACCEPTABLE BURST PROFILE

Subsequently the same cylinder shall be subjected to burst test as per 10.5. With provision of this burst test, the burst test sample as per 10.1.2 (d) shall not be drawn.

11 TESTS ON EVERY CYLINDER

11.1 General

During production, all cylinders shall be subjected to the test as specified in 7.2 and 7.4. Following final heat treatment, all cylinders shall be subjected to the following tests. However, cylinder selected for testing under 10 may be exempted.

- a) Hydrostatic stretch test in accordance with 11.2;
- b) Hardness test in accordance with 11.3;
- c) Leakage test in accordance with 11.4;
- d) Water capacity check in accordance with 7.11; and
- e) Ultrasonic examination in accordance with 7.4.

If there is an evidence of failure of test apparatus, the test shall be repeated.

11.2 Hydrostatic Stretch Test

The water pressure in the cylinder shall be increased at a controlled rate until the test pressure, P_h , is reached. The cylinder shall remain under pressure P_h for at least 30 s and the total volumetric expansion measured. The pressure shall be released, and the volumetric expansion re-measured (see IS 5844). The cylinder shall be rejected, if it shows a permanent expansion (that is volumetric expansion after the pressure has been released) in excess of 10 percent of the total volumetric expansion measured at the test pressure P_h . The total and permanent expansion readings shall be recorded together with the corresponding serial number of each

cylinder tested, so that the elastic expansion (that is total expansion less permanent expansion) under the test pressure can be established for each cylinder.

11.3 Hardness Test

The hardness test [see 11.1 (b)] in accordance with IS 1500 (Brinell) or IS 1586 (Rockwell) or other equivalent methods shall be carried out by the manufacturer after the final heat treatment of the cylinder. The hardness values thus determined according to IS 4258, shall be within the limits specified by the cylinder manufacturer for the material, dependent upon the heat treatment used for the production of the cylinder and the intended gas service (that is embrittling gases).

NOTES

1 Methods for measuring the surface indentation, other than given in IS 1500 or IS 1586 may be used subject to agreement between the parties concerned.

2 Cylinders made from carbon manganese steel shall not be subjected to this test, except those having a hydraulic test pressure ≥ 260 bar.

11.4 Leakage Test (Pneumatic)

The manufacturer shall use such manufacturing techniques and apply such tests as will demonstrate to the satisfaction of the inspector that the cylinders do not leak. This test shall be conducted at a pressure not lower than $0.6 \times P_h$ (see 6.3).

11.5 Capacity Check

The manufacturer shall verify that water capacity of each cylinder conforms to 7.11.

12 COLOUR IDENTIFICATION

12.1 The cylinder shall be painted externally in accordance with the colour scheme specified in IS 3933 or IS 4379. For cylinders in CNG Cascade Service, the external surface of cylinder shall be painted with following paint system and total dry film thickness of minimum 70 microns shall be maintained:

- a) Epoxy Primer (two component system) 1 coat
– Zinc Phosphate/Zinc Chromate/Zinc Rich.
- b) Epoxy/Polyurethane (two component system) 1 coat.

12.2 The cylinders used for fire extinguisher or used in fire-fighting service, in accordance to IS 15683 or IS 2878 shall be painted externally to the requirements of respective standard.

13 CERTIFICATION

Each batch of cylinders shall be covered by a certificate signed by the inspecting authority's representative to the effect that the cylinders meet the requirements of

this standard in all respects. An example of a suitable worded certificate is given in Annex D. Copies of the certificate shall be issued to the manufacturer. The original certificate shall be retained by the inspector and the copies by the manufacturer in accordance with the regulations of the relevant statutory authority.

14 CYLINDER MARKING

14.1 Each cylinder shall be permanently stamped with the following:

- a) Serial number, identification of manufacturer and year of manufacture;
- b) Number of this standard; IS 7285-2;
- c) Test pressure and date of the hydrostatic stretch test (such as 3/15 for March 2015);
- d) Tare weight, in kg (except in case of dissolved gas);
- e) Design minimum water capacity of the cylinder, in litres;
- f) Inspector's official mark;
- g) Minimum guaranteed wall thickness of the cylindrical shell, in mm;
- h) Symbol for heat treatment, Q&T;
- j) Filling pressure in bar or kgf/cm² at 15°C in case of permanent gases and filling ratio in case of high pressure liquefiable gases;
- k) Name or chemical symbol of the gas for which cylinder is to be used.
- m) Identification of cylinder thread, for example:
 - 1) T1S1 for Type 1 Size 1 threads mark,
 - 2) T1S2 for Type 1 Size 2 threads mark,
 - 3) T1S3 for Type 1 Size 3 threads mark,
 - 4) T3 for Type 2 threads mark,
 - 5) T4S1 for Type 4 Size 1 threads mark,
 - 6) T4S2 for Type 4 Size 2 threads mark,
 - 7) T4S3 for Type 4 Size 3 threads mark,
- n) If the cylinder (shell) is manufactured for dissolved acetylene cylinder according to IS 7312, each cylinder shall be permanently stamped with the following :
 - 1) Serial number, identification of porous mass filler;
 - 2) IS Number of this standard;
 - 3) Inspector's official mark;
 - 4) Date of porous mass filling;
 - 5) Identification of porous mass and porosity percentage;
 - 6) Tare weight (inclusive of valve);

- 7) Maximum gas capacity; and
- 8) Gas identification 'ACETYLENE' and the chemical symbol 'C₂H₂'.

14.2 The marking shall not be made on the body of the cylinder but shall be at areas in the formed neck where the thickness of metal is greater than the design minimum and where it is adequate for marking to be carried out.

14.3 The characters in marking shall normally be at least 6 mm in height. On cylinders below 140 mm diameter, the height may be reduced, but in no case shall the characters be less than 3 mm in height. The indentation shall not be excessive depth.

14.4 The stamps used for marking shall have small radii at changes of section to avoid the formation of sharp edges in the stamped marking.

14.5 *Export Market/Defence Services*

Cylinders manufactured for export/defence services use, shall be marked as agreed to between the purchaser and the manufacturer.

15 BIS CERTIFICATION MARKING

15.1 Each cylinder may also be marked with the Standard Mark.

15.2 The use of the Standard Mark is governed by the provisions of the *Bureau of Indian Standards Act*, 1986 and the Rules and Regulations made there under. The details of conditions under which the license for the use of the Standard Mark may be granted to the manufacturers or producers may be obtained from the Bureau of Indian Standards.

16 RECORDS

Records shall be kept of all the tests made at the cylinder manufacturer's works and copies shall be forwarded to the purchaser of the cylinder and the inspecting authority.

17 PREPARATION FOR DESPATCH

Before being dispatched from the manufacturer's works, all cylinder shall be thoroughly cleaned and all particles of grit, filings or other matter which may have collected inside the cylinder during the course of manufacture, heat treatment and testing shall be removed completely and the cylinder dried internally. If cylinder is heated for drying the temperature shall not exceed 200°C. Cylinders not immediately closed by fitting of a valve and safety devices if applicable, shall have plugs suitably designed to prevent ingress of moisture and to protect threads, fitted to all the openings.

ANNEX A

(Clauses 7.3 and 9.2.2)

**DESCRIPTION, EVALUATION OF MANUFACTURING DEFECTS AND CONDITIONS FOR
REJECTION OF SEAMLESS STEEL GAS CYLINDERS AT THE TIME OF FINAL INSPECTION BY
THE MANUFACTURER**

A-1 INTRODUCTION

Several types of defects can occur during the manufacturing of a seamless steel gas cylinder. Such defects can be mechanical or material. They can be due to the basic material used, the manufacturing process, heat treatments, manipulations, necking, machining or marking operations and other circumstances during manufacture. The aim of this Annex is to identify the manufacturing defects most commonly met and to provide general guidelines to the inspectors that perform the visual inspection. Nevertheless extensive field experience, good judgment and independence from production area necessary by the inspector to detect and to be able to evaluate and judge a defect at the time of the visual inspection.

A-2 GENERAL

A-2.1 It is essential to perform the visual internal and external inspection in good conditions. The surface of the metal and in particular of the inner wall shall be completely clean, dry and free from oxidation products, corrosion, scale, etc, since these could obscure other more serious defects. Where necessary, the surface should be cleaned under closely controlled conditions by suitable methods before further inspection. Appropriate sources of illumination with sufficient intensity should be used. After the cylinders have been

closed and the threads have been cut, the internal neck area should be examined by means of an introscope, dental mirror or other suitable appliance.

A-2.2 Small defects may be removed by local dressing, grinding, machining, or other appropriate method. Great care should be taken to avoid introducing new injurious defects. After such a repair the cylinders should be re-examined.

A-3 MANUFACTURING DEFECTS

The most commonly found manufacturing defects and their definitions are listed in Table 6. Rejection limits for repair or reject are also included in Table 6. These rejections limits are established following considerable field experience. They apply to all sizes and types of cylinders and service conditions. Nevertheless, some customer specifications, some types of cylinder or some special service conditions can require stringent conditions.

A-4 REJECTED CYLINDERS

- a) All rejected cylinders should be rendered unserviceable for their original application, and
- b) It may be possible to produce cylinders for different service conditions from rejected cylinders.

Table 6 Manufacturing Defects

(Clause A-3)

Sl No.	Defect	Description	Conditions for Rejection and/or Actions	Repair/Reject
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
i)	Bulge	Visible swelling of the wall	All cylinders with such a defect	Reject
ii)	Dent (flats)	A depression in the wall that has neither penetrated nor removed metal (<i>see</i> Fig. 13) (<i>see also</i> 'excessive grinding or machining' below)	a) When the depth of the dent exceeds 2 percent of the external diameter of the cylinder b) When the depth of the dent is greater than 1 mm and when the diameter of the dent is less than 30 times its depth NOTE — On small diameter cylinders these general limits may have to be adjusted. Consideration of appearance also plays a part in the evaluation of dents, especially in the case of small cylinders.	Reject Permit repair
iii)	Cut, gouge, metallic or scale impression	An impression in the wall where metal has been removed or redistributed (due basically to the introduction of foreign bodies on the mandrel or matrix during extrusion or drawing operations)	a) <i>Inside defect</i> : If not superficial with sharp notches more than 5 percent of wall thickness NOTE — Consideration of appearance and localization (in thicker part with lower stresses) can be taken into account. b) <i>Outside defect</i> : When the depth exceeds 5 percent of the wall thickness	Reject Repair (<i>see A-2.2</i>)

Table 6 — Concluded

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
iv)	Dent containing cut or gouge	A depression in the wall which contains a cut or gouge (<i>see</i> Fig. 14)	All cylinders with such defects	Reject
v)	Excessive grinding or machining	Local reduction of wall thickness by grinding or machining	a) When the wall thickness is reduced to below the minimum drawing thickness; and b) When it results in the formation of a dent.	Reject <i>See</i> 'dent' above
vi)	Rib	A longitudinal raised surface with sharp corners (<i>see</i> Fig. 15)	<i>Inside defect</i> : If height or depth exceeds 5 percent of wall thickness or if the length exceeds 10 percent of the length of the cylinders	Repair if possible or reject
vii)	Groove	A longitudinal notch (<i>see</i> Fig. 16)	<i>Outside defect</i> : When the height or depth exceeds 5 percent of the wall thickness or when the length exceeds 5 × the thickness of the cylinders	Repair if possible (<i>see</i> A-2.2)
viii)	Crack	Split, material separation	a) When not removable within thickness tolerance; and b) When removable within thickness tolerance	Reject Repair
ix)	Neck cracks	Appear as lines, which run vertically down the thread and across the thread faces. (They should not be confused with tap marks or thread machining marks) (<i>see</i> Fig. 17)	All cylinders with such defects	Reject
x)	Shoulder folds and/or shoulder cracks	Folding with peaks and troughs situated in the internal shoulder area, which can propagate into the threaded area of the shoulder (<i>see</i> Fig. 18) Cracks can start from folds in the internal shoulder area and propagate into the cylindrical machined or threaded area of the shoulder (<i>see</i> Fig. 19, shows exactly where shoulder cracks start and how they propagate)	a) Folds or cracks that are visible as a line of oxide running into the threaded portion should be removed by a machining operation until the lines of oxide are no longer visible. After machining, the whole area should be re-inspected carefully and the wall thickness verified. b) If folding or lines of oxide have not been removed by machining, if cracks are still visible or if wall thickness is unsatisfactory, and c) Folds which extend beyond the machined area and are clearly visible as open depressions where no oxides have been trapped in the metal, should be accepted provided that the peaks are smooth and the root of the depression is rounded.	Repair, if possible Reject Acceptable
xi)	Internal cracks in base	Splits in the metal of the bottom of the cylinder in star form	a) When not removable within thickness tolerance; and b) When removable within thickness tolerance.	Reject Repair
xii)	Orange peel surface	Orange peel appearance due to discontinuous metal flow	If sharp cracks are visible in the orange peel surface	Acceptable for non-aggressive gases
xiii)	Internal neck threads damaged or out of tolerance	Neck threads damaged, with dents, cuts, burrs or out of tolerance	a) When the design permits it, threads may be retapped and re-checked by the appropriate thread gauge and carefully visually re-examined. The appropriate number of effective threads shall be guaranteed; and b) If not repairable.	Repair Reject
xiv)	Pitting	Severe surface corrosion	All cylinders with such defects visible after shot blasting	Reject
xv)	Non-conformity with design drawing	—	All cylinders presenting such a defect	Repair if possible or reject
xvi)	Neck ring not secure	Neck ring turns under application of low torque, or pulls off under low axial load (<i>see</i> 6.8.2)	All cylinders presenting such a defect	Repair possible according to approved method only
xvii)	Arc or torch burns	Partial burning of the cylinder metal, the addition of weld metal or the removal of metal by scarfing or cratering	All cylinders presenting such a defect	Reject

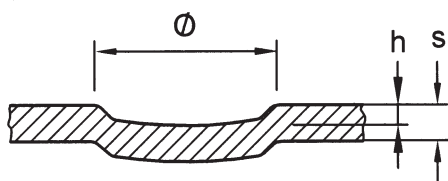


FIG. 13 DENT

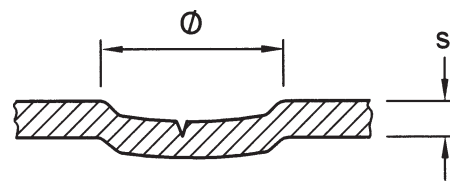


FIG. 14 DENT CONTAINING CUT OR GOUGE

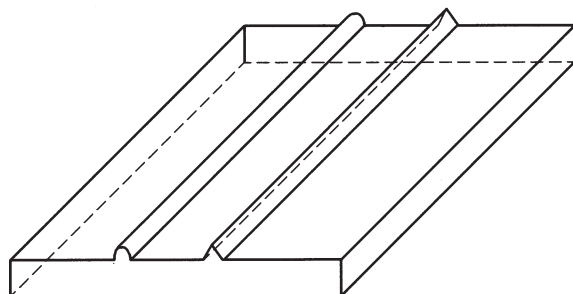


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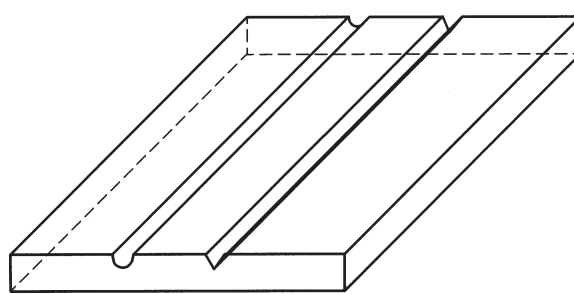
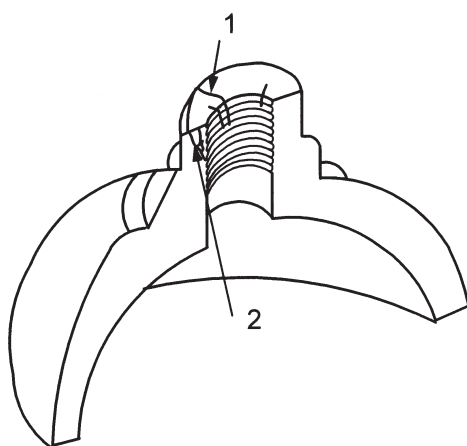


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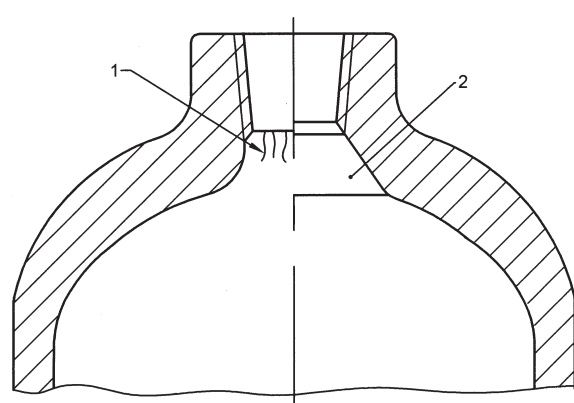


Key

1 — Neck cracks

2 — Propagated crack in the neck

FIG. 17 NECK CRACKS

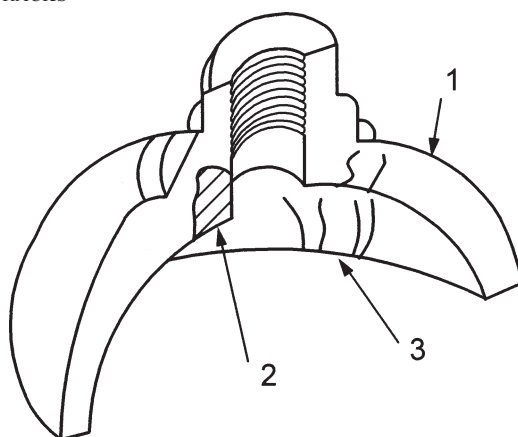


Key

1 — Folds or cracks

2 — After machining

FIG. 18 CYLINDER SHOULDER FOLDS OR CRACKS
BEFORE AND AFTER MACHINING



Key

1 — Shoulder cracks

2 — Propagated crack in the shoulder

3 — Folds

FIG. 19 SHOULDER CRACKS

ANNEX B

(Clause 7.4)

ULTRASONIC INSPECTION**B-1 SCOPE**

This Annex is based on techniques used by cylinder manufacturers. Other techniques of ultrasonic inspection may be used, provided these have been demonstrated to be suitable for the manufacturing method.

B-2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The ultrasonic testing equipment shall be capable of at least detecting the reference standard as described in **B-3.2**. It shall be serviced regularly in accordance with the manufacturer's operating instructions to ensure that its accuracy is maintained. Inspection records and approval certificates for the equipment shall be maintained. The operation of the test equipment shall be by trained personnel and supervised by qualified and experienced certified personnel certified to level 2 ISNT/ASNT.

The inner and outer surface of any cylinder which is to be tested ultrasonically shall be in a condition suitable for an accurate and reproducible test.

For flaw detection the pulse echo system shall be used. For thickness measurement either the resonance method or the pulse echo system shall be used. Either contact or immersion techniques of testing shall be used.

A coupling method which ensures adequate transmission of ultrasonic energy between the testing probe and the cylinder shall be used.

B-3 FLAW DETECTION OF THE CYLINDRICAL PARTS**B-3.1 Procedure**

The cylinders to be inspected and the search unit shall have a rotating motion and translation relative to one another such that a helical scan of the cylinder will be described. The velocity of rotation and translation shall be constant within ± 10 percent. The pitch of the helix shall be less than the width covered by the probe (at least 10 percent overlap shall be guaranteed) and be related to the effective beam width such as to ensure 100 percent coverage at the velocity of rotational movement and translation used during the calibration procedure.

An alternative scanning method may be used for transverse defect detection in which the scanning or relative movement of the probes and the work piece is longitudinal, the sweeping motion being such as to

ensure 100 percent surface coverage with about 10 percent overlap of the seeps.

The cylinder wall shall be tested for longitudinal defects with the ultrasonic energy transmitted in both circumferential directions and for transverse defects in both longitudinal directions.

For concave based cylinders where hydrogen embrittlement or stress corrosion may occur, the transition region between the cylindrical part and the cylinder base shall also be tested for transverse defects in the direction of the base. For the area to be considered, *see* Fig. 20. The ultrasonic sensitivity shall be set at +6 dB in order to improve the detection of defects equivalent to 5 percent of the cylindrical wall thickness in this thickened portion.

In this case or when optional testing if carried out on the transition area between the wall and neck and/or wall and base, this may be conducted manually if not carried out automatically.

The effectiveness of the equipment shall be periodically checked by passing a reference standard through the test procedure. This check shall be carried out at least at the beginning and end of each shift. If during this check the presence of the appropriate reference notch is not detected then all cylinders tested subsequent to the last acceptable check shall be retested after the equipment has been reset.

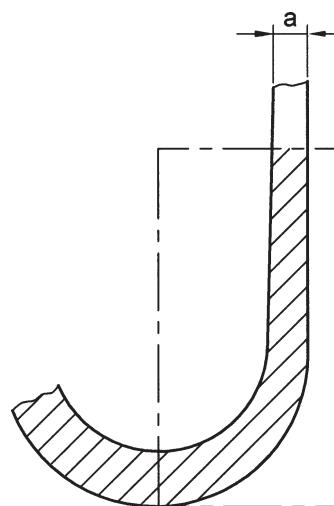


FIG. 20 BASE / WALL TRANSITION REGION

B-3.2 Reference Standard

A reference standard of convenient length shall be

prepared from a cylinder of similar diameter and wall thickness range and from material with the same acoustic characteristics (subjected to the same heat treatment) and surface finish as the cylinder to be inspected. The reference standard shall be free from discontinuities which may interfere with the detection of the reference notches.

Reference notches, both longitudinal and transverse, shall be machined on the outer and inner surface of the standard. The notches shall be separated such that each notch can be clearly identified.

Dimensions and shape of notches are of crucial importance for the adjustment of the equipment (*see* Fig. 21 and Fig. 22). The length of the notches (E) shall not be greater than 50 mm. The width (W) shall be no greater than twice the nominal depth (T). However, where this condition cannot be met a maximum width of 1.0 mm is acceptable.

The depth of the notches (T) shall be 5 percent ± 0.75 percent of the nominal wall thickness (S) with a minimum of 0.2 mm and a maximum of 1.0 mm, over the full length of the notch. Run-outs at each end are permissible.

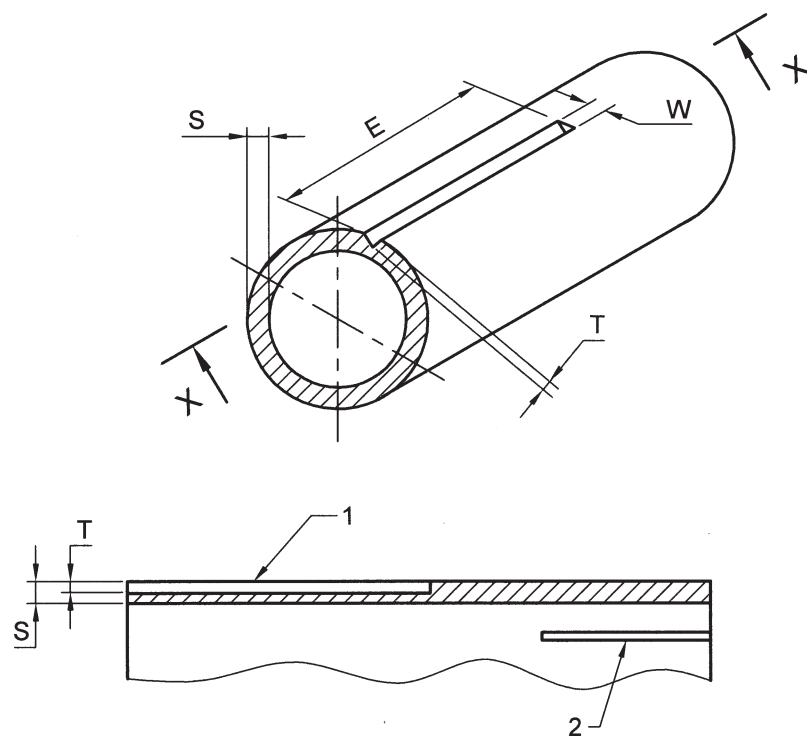
The notch shall be sharp edged at its intersection with the surface of the cylinder wall. The cross-section of the notch shall be rectangular except where spark erosion machining methods are used; then it is acknowledged that the bottom of the notch shall be rounded.

B-3.3 Calibration of Equipment

Using the reference standard described in B-3.2, the equipment shall be adjusted to produce clearly identifiable indications from inner and outer surface notches. The amplitude of the indications shall be as near equal as possible. The indication of smallest amplitude shall be used as the rejection level and for setting visual, audible, recording or sorting devices. The equipment shall be calibrated with the reference standard or probe, or both, moving in the same manner, in the same direction and at the same speed as will be used during the inspection of the cylinder. All visual, audible, recording or sorting devices shall operate satisfactorily at the test speed.

B-4 WALL THICKNESS MEASUREMENT

If the measurement of the wall thickness is not carried



Key

1 — External Reference Notch

2 — Internal Reference Notch

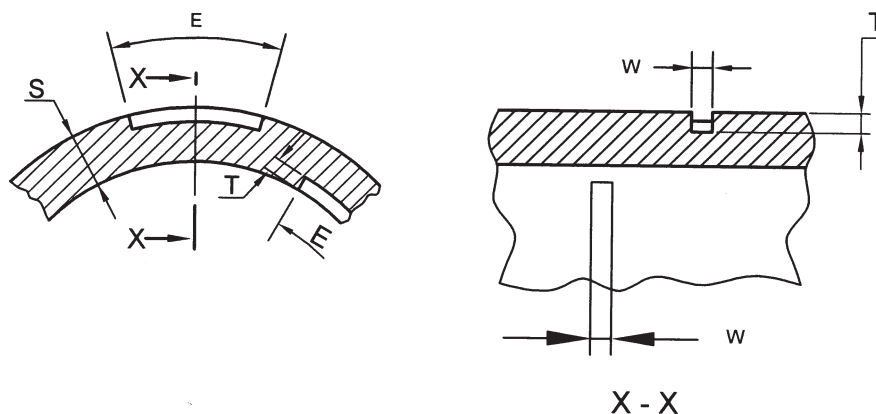
NOTE

$T \leq (5 \pm 0.75) \% S$ but < 1 mm and ≥ 0.2 mm

$W \leq 2T$ But if not possible then $W \leq 1$ mm

$E \leq 50$ mm

FIG. 21 SCHEMATIC REFERENCE NOTCHES FOR LONGITUDINAL DEFECTS



NOTE

$T \leq (5 \pm 0.75) \% S$ but $0.2 \text{ mm} < T \leq 1 \text{ mm}$

$W \leq 2T$, but if not possible then $W \leq 1 \text{ mm}$

$E \leq 50 \text{ mm}$

FIG. 22 SCHEMATIC REFERENCE NOTCHES FOR CIRCUMFERENTIAL DEFECTS

out in another stage of production, the cylindrical part shall be 100 percent examined to ensure that the thickness is not less than the guaranteed minimum value.

B-5 INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

Cylinders with indications which are equal to or greater than the lowest of the indications from the reference notches shall be withdrawn. Surface defects may be removed; after removal the cylinders shall be re-

subjected to ultrasonic flaw detection and thickness measurement.

Any cylinder which is shown to be below the guaranteed minimum wall thickness shall be rejected.

B-6 CERTIFICATION

The ultrasonic testing shall be certified by the cylinder manufacturer. Every cylinder, which has passed ultrasonic testing in accordance with this standard shall be stamp marked with the symbol 'UT'.

ANNEX C*(Clause 9.3)***TYPE APPROVAL CERTIFICATE**

This Annex provides an example of a suitable form of a type approval certificate. Other formats also acceptable.

TYPE APPROVAL CERTIFICATE

Issued by

(Authorized inspection authority)

.....
 applying IS Standard

concerning

SEAMLESS STEEL GAS CYLINDERS

Approval No..... Date

Type of cylinder:.....

(Description of the family of cylinders (Drawing No.) which has received type approval)

P_h bar, D_{Min} mm, D_{Max} mm, a mm

Shape of base, b mm

L_{Min} mm, L_{Max} mm, V_{Min} litre, V_{Max} litre

Material and heat treatment:.....

Material and characteristics : Material R_e MPa, R_g MPa

Manufacturer or agent

(Name and address of manufacturer or its agent)

.....
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Date:

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.....
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ANNEX D

(Clause 13)

ACCEPTANCE CERTIFICATE

This Annex provides an example of a suitable form of acceptance certificate. Other forms are also acceptable.

ACCEPTANCE CERTIFICATE

Acceptance certificate for seamless steel cylinders No.

A consignment of cylinders consisting of test batches have been inspected and tested..... according to IS 7285 (Part 2).

(Designation or type of gas).....

Manufacturer's No..... to.....

Owner's No. ¹⁾..... to.....

Manufacturer: Manufacturer order No.

Address:

Country: Date.....

Owner/Customer ²⁾..... Purchase Order No.....

Address:

Country: Date.....

TECHNICAL DATA

Water capacity V : Nominal ¹⁾ Litre Nominal length: mm

Minimum ¹⁾ Litre (without cap and without valve)

Test pressure P_h : bar Outside diameter D_o : mm

Working pressure ¹⁾ 15°C P_w : bar Minimum wall thickness a : mm

Maximum filling charge¹⁾ kg Drawing No. Approved vide

CCE's letter No. dated.....

Material: Manufacturer's name, Specification, designation and grade:

Specified analysis ³⁾: C% S% Mn% P% S% Cr% Mo% Ni%

% maximum:

% minimum:

Heat treatment:

Stamp markings³⁾ :

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Date

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Manufacturer

ACCEPTANCE TESTS

1. Measurements taken on one representative cylinder of the batch ⁴⁾

Test No.	Covering Serial	Water	Mass	Minimum measured
or Batch No.	No..... to	capacity	empty	Thickness (mm)
or Cylinder No.		Litre	kg	Wall Base

2. Mechanical tests ⁴⁾

Tensile Test					Hardness	Impact Test		Bend or Flattening Test 180° without Cracking	
Test No.	Cast No.	Yield Stress (R_{ea}) MPa	Tensile Strength (R_m) MPa	Elong- ation (A) %		Charpy (V) °C Direction			
						HB	Average.		Mini- mum
							J/cm ²		J/cm ²
Mini- mum Values :									

This is to certify that the cylinders covered by this Acceptance Certificate have passed the hydraulic pressure test and all the other tests as required in **10** of IS 7285 (Part 2) and they are in accordance with this Indian Standard.

Special remarks:

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On behalf of :

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Date (Signature of Inspector)

¹⁾ If required by customer.

²⁾ Delete as applicable.

³⁾ To be quoted or drawing to be attached.

⁴⁾ Need not be filled in if test reports are attached.

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(Foreword)

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